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## MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

### RESOLUTION

*New Delhi, the 25th October, 1952.*

No. 48(23)-CT(A)/52.—The Government of India have, after careful consideration, decided to abolish the Standing Handloom Committee constituted under the Ministry of Commerce and Industry Resolution No. 22/6-Tex. 2/50-CT(A), dated the 10th December 1951, and to set up an All India Handloom Board with the following personnel:—

#### *Chairman*

- (1) The Textile Commissioner to the Government of India.

#### *Members*

- (2) Shri Abdul Quaiyum Ansari, Bihar.
- (3) Shri P. R. Chilkoti, Chairman, District Industrial Co-operative Society, Belgaum.
- (4) Shri M. P. Nachimuthu Mudaliar, Vice-President, Madras Handloom Weavers' Provincial Co-operative Society, Madras.
- (5) Shri Y. N. Paonikar, Secretary, All India Weavers Congress, Umrer, Nagpur District.
- (6) Shri M. Somappa, President, Yemmiganur Weavers' Cooperative Society, Yemmiganur.
- (7) Shri K. Sundaram, the Coimbatore Cotton Mills, Singanallur, P. O. Coimbatore.
- (8) The Director of Cottage Industries, Government of Uttar Pradesh, Lucknow, or his nominee.
- (9) The Additional Director of Industries, Government of Bihar, Patna, or his nominee.
- (10) The Director of Commerce and Industries, Government of Hyderabad, or his nominee.
- (11) The Director of Controlled Commodities, Government of Madras, Madras, or his nominee.
- (12) The Registrar of Co-operative Societies, Madras, or his nominee.
- (13) The Director of Industries, Government of Madhya Bharat, Indore, or his nominee.
- (14) The Joint Registrar for Industrial Co-operatives and Village Industries, Government of Bombay, Bombay, or his nominee.
- (15) The Joint Textile Commissioner to the Government of Bombay, Bombay.

*Secretary.*

- (16) The Director (Yarn & Handlooms), Office of the Textile Commissioner to the Government of India, Bombay.

Additional members will be appointed as and when necessary.

The Government of India also propose to create a Handloom Fund, from which grants or loans will be made for financing, in whole or in part, activities necessary for the development and improvement of the Handloom Industry. Among the purposes or objects for which loans or grants could be made are:—

- (a) ensuring a steady and adequate supply of suitable yarn to the Handloom Industry, including the holding of stocks where necessary,
- (b) establishing marketing organisations in the country and abroad,
- (c) promoting research, improvements in designs, etc. and better techniques of production,
- (d) training of personnel, arranging for improved equipment, prescribing standards of quality and the establishment of machinery to maintain those standards, and
- (e) encouraging cooperative effort amongst handloom weavers.

The functions of the Board will be, besides advising Government generally on the problems of the Handloom Industry, to examine schemes for the improvement and development of the Handloom Industry, and to make their recommendations for assistance from the Handloom Fund.

S. BHOTHALINGAM, Secy.